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For: Inflatable Heating Device

SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks Alexandria, Virginia

SIR:

This paper is presented as a further supplementation of the Applicant's response to the Office Action mailed October 9, 2003. The Applicant provided a supplemental response by amendment filed August 6, 2004. This response, albeit not conforming as per the comments of the Examiner, responded to substantive issues discussed during the June 4, 2004 interview. Particularly, the Applicant has discussed the use of electrically conductive, non-metallic fibers in contrast to non-conductive fibers having a coating of carbon black as taught by Japan '334.

In regard to the claims accompanying the August 6th response, however, the Examiner has properly noted that the text of claim and status identifiers were incorrect or inconsistent with prior amendments or informal drafts presented. I apologize for the unintended confusion. It is the goal of this supplemental response to correctly and